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N winds @ 9-15 knots
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SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy
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High: 79 Low: 66

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NW winds @ 10-15 knots
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FRIDAY MORNING'S
COMMUNITY BANK
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Taking 'Pride'

Kadena starts white-glove inspection of F-15s

By 1st Lt. Gerardo Gonzalez
18th Wing Public Affairs

Some of the fleet's oldest jets are getting a second chance at life here at Kadena thanks to a \$5.2 million wing initiative.

During the next 12 months Kadena F-15 Eagles will receive a microscopic inspection by Department of Defense contractors with the help of Airmen from the 18th Maintenance Group.

The first fighter to undergo the approximately 10-day overhaul—a 44th Fighter Squadron jet—rolled out of the "Pride Dock" on Oct. 12.

"We are re-establishing the baseline on the operational systems of a 27-year-old plane that has 7,000 [flying hours] on it and we need to keep for another 10 to 15 years," said Col. John Miller, 18th MXG commander. "This is an [Air Force] fleet-wide application that we're working here at Kadena."

As part of the Pride Dock, contractors thoroughly inspect and replace, as needed, peripheral items on the aircraft's key systems—flight control, radar, tactical electronic warfare, electro-environmental, and weapons—said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Henderson, 18th MXG Pride Dock project officer.

These systems were chosen, among other things, because they are critical and generally take the longest for maintainers to repair, said the chief.

Pride Dock technicians will fix many of the discrepancies—such as old wiring and damaged connectors—that consume maintenance time and take the focus from delving deeper into the core systems themselves, said Chief Henderson. Like an aging car, peripheral items in a jet degrade with time. Troubleshooting problems down to these items takes time.

"In a perfect world the maintainers would be spending less time chasing down these anomalies and more time working on the operational system, in the

same amount of time," said Colonel Miller.

Establishing the Pride Dock has been a monumental undertaking, said Chief Henderson. From bringing in the Defense Support Services contract technicians to methodically planning every step of the project, testing the concept, analyzing data, and implementing lessons learned to improve the process.

"We created a detailed program plan to establish Pride Dock operations because there was no on-going similar program to bench mark" he said.

It all begins with examining 180 days worth of maintenance write-ups for each aircraft as reported by the pilots, said the chief.

"The contractors and active duty project officers look at that data to see what kind of trends are on this aircraft to really be able to wring-out system discrepancies," said Chief Henderson. "Then, the dedicated pilot flies the aircraft prior to coming into the Pride Dock."

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Base officials stress defensive driving after car accident

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

Four motorists were treated for minor injuries at Camp Lester Naval Hospital Saturday after a three-car accident on Douglas Boulevard.

Both 18th Security Forces Squadron and 18th Wing Safety officials agree that wet roads from heavy rains were a contributing factor to the accident.

Staff Sgt. Nakuru Tribble, 18th Wing Safety, said that Okinawa's roads become very slick when they are wet due to coral dust.

Staff Sgt. Lisa Lane, an 18th SFS investigator, added that the number of car accidents increase four times after rain-fall.

Safety officials said motorists should occasionally check car tires for baldness and proper inflation before going out, and always wear their seatbelt.

"No one was seriously injured because they all wore their seatbelts," explained Sergeant Tribble.

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Shunji Tomishima, 18th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter, shows the dispatch radio system on a fire truck to Hunter Boswell, 7-year-old son of Maj. Randy Boswell of the 718th CES, during a fire prevention awareness campaign at the base exchange Oct. 8. Kadena firefighters visited schools, performed demonstrations at various base locations and held an open fire house Saturday as a finale for fire prevention week.

Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell

Halloween trick-or-treating schedule and events, see page 4



UCI - Trick or Treat!

By Brig. Gen. Jan-Marc Jouas
 18th Wing commander

On Halloween Day this month we'll have some very important visitors knocking on our door, and the answer to "Trick or Treat" will rest with every Airman and Civilian in the 18th Wing. We've been preparing for a long time to make sure that we don't reach into our bag and pull out a rock following this unit compliance inspection – now it's time to demonstrate to the PACAF IG why we're the Air Force's biggest and best combat wing!

Although the UCI doesn't officially kick off until October 31st, more than 130 inspectors will start arriving here next Monday to make preliminary inspections of dormitory safety and the wing's detachments. Here are a few pointers for hosting our welcome guests:

- First impressions count – we're ready, we're confident,

and we're proud – let it show!

• We're all on the same team – the U.S. Air Force team. The IG is here to help us do our job better, and to tell the rest of PACAF how good we are – they're our teammates too.

• Demonstrate compliance with instructions and policies – then show the inspectors how we've gone above and beyond to strengthen readiness.

• Winners don't whine – if we've missed something, identify it to the inspectors and explain the plan to get back on course – then move on.

We all have a lot to show the IG Team, and time will be short. Welcome the inspectors with enthusiasm, and keep our wing goals at the forefront: *be ready when our nation calls... take care of our wingmen*. And remember – all areas of the wing are subject to evaluation at all times while the IG team is on station.

Trick or Treat? There's no doubt in my mind – all we need to do is show the inspectors the winning spirit I see every day, in every unit on base! Be proud, look sharp, show off our outstanding people and programs, and this inspection will be a huge treat for the 18th Wing and the PACAF IG!



ACTION LINE

E-mail: 18wg.cchotline @kadena.af.mil

The 18th Wing is very interested in ideas that can make Kadena an even better place to live, work and play. If you have a concern that you have been unable to resolve through normal chains of command, then we'll look into it. Although not required, it's better to give commanders, first sergeants or the agencies with which you have the concern the opportunity to correct the situation first. When that fails, send us an e-mail. Include your name and telephone number so someone can get back to you, and a brief summary of your concern.

Walking to school

I am writing this complaint because my child, who is 6, has to walk to and from the Shima No Ko Child Development Center to Kadena Elementary School. I recently submitted an "ICE" comment card expressing my great concern, but have never gotten a response. I don't know who made the decision to cancel the bus service this year, but I must insist that the idea of our children walking to and from school be reconsidered. I have spoken with a number of parents who feel as I do.

Thanks for your letter, which was one of several that I received on this important subject. It's taken a few weeks to work out a solution in this matter, due to the many factors we had to consider – I'll discuss each in turn. Up until this year we had a substantial waiting list for our school age program. By working with DoD our Civil Engineer and Services Squadrons were able to obtain funds to expand and improve our facilities, and allow the school-age program to grow from 220 children to

370, essentially eliminating the waiting list. However, by enlarging the program we outgrew the ability to provide daily bus transportation for the Shima No Ko program, which expanded from 72 to 96 children (our other two centers only received bus service during inclement weather). Due to the extensive use and age of the Services buses, they are in poor condition and in need of significant maintenance and repairs – leaving them unavailable for daily usage. Once the required maintenance is performed, they will only remain reliable if used for non-recurring transportation. Our long term fix is to purchase new buses, but that will take time and funding. We expect to be able to start the procurement process in early 2006.

In addition, the daily use of our fleet of vehicles without financial compensation from those obtaining transportation contributed significantly to the \$170,000 loss we incurred in our school age programs last year. When faced with this situation we evaluated several options, including the use of Air Force buses from our Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Unfortunately, the routine use of buses to support non-official business is prohibited by Air Force Instructions. We also can't use DoDDS buses since Shima No Ko is 0.6 miles from Kadena Elementary School (about a 20 minute walk), which puts it within DoDDS criteria for allowable walking distance (less than one mile for this age group). The Services Squadron leadership concluded the best approach was to walk the children to and from school each day, thereby ensuring the maximum number of children could remain in the program. In creating this plan the staff incorporated all possible safety measures, including enlisting the support of the Gate 3 guards to stop traffic when the students are crossing the road.

After the school releases students, the

staff allots time for use of the restrooms and drinks of water before they begin walking back to the center. The children are kept in groups no larger than 24 with at least two supervising adults at all times. The staff closely monitors the weather and ensures the students are properly dressed during inclement conditions. When the weather is bad and walking is not practical (for example, very heavy and steady rain), Services will use vehicles designated for other programs to transport all children from all three centers. However, to offset the cost of this service (vehicles and drivers) all customers at all three centers will need to sign a contract addendum that will increase current fees by \$2 per week, regardless of the number of times that transportation is used.

I recognize that this new arrangement will not please some parents, particularly those who had children at Shima No Ko last year. However, for the parents of the 170 additional children we can now admit to the school age program this is a welcome change, as opposed to remaining on the waiting list. For those that benefited from daily transportation last year, please recognize that it was a good deal at the time, but an optional service, and very costly to our Services programs. That being said, during inclement weather there will be no changes this year for any of our CDC's – we will provide transportation for every student, not just those in Shima No Ko.

On other days the children will be very safe when walked to and from school. There is no way that we would do anything to put any of our children at risk – ever. Our Youth Services staff has done and will do everything possible to eliminate/manage any risk to any of our children. The ultimate goal is to provide a healthy and safe environment for our children and a much needed benefit for as many of our working parents as possible.



It has been...

3 days

since the last DUI arrest on Kadena.
 60 days = 18th Wing 'Down Day'



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SHOGUN WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Staff Sgt. Analilia King
 733rd Air Mobility Squadron, flight material control technician
 Hometown: Anaheim, Calif.

Reason for nomination: In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Sergeant King recruited a group of volunteers and started a fundraiser that raised more than \$1,000 for hurricane victims – earning special recognition from the American Red Cross.

Time at Kadena: 4 years

Editor's note: Shogun Warriors are selected by unit leaders for their outstanding value to their unit and dedication to the Kadena mission. To nominate someone, send the name of your nominee to your unit commander or senior enlisted leaders.

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE: Did you know -- More than 65 percent of all fatal single-car crashes are alcohol related? Plan ahead or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 634-2233.

GATE 3 HOURS: Gate 3 is closed to outbound traffic from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. daily to allow two inbound lanes (until construction is completed in February). The gate is open to inbound and outbound traffic during all other hours.

COMPTROLLERS MEETING: The Okinawa Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold its next meeting Thursday at the Kadena Officers Club from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Torii room. A no-host buffet lunch is available. Call 634-8272 for more information.

EARLY RELEASE FROM SCHOOL: Bob Hope Primary and Amelia Earhart schools will release students at 11:30 a.m. Thursday due to teachers in-service training.

RED RIBBON WEEK: Red Ribbon Week is set aside each year to raise community awareness of the dangers of illegal drug use. Red Ribbon Week runs this year Oct. 23-31. The following events are scheduled:

- Information booth at the Kadena base exchange, Monday
- Free bowling at Emery Lanes for kids 9 to 18, Thursday from 2:30 to 5 p.m.
- Parade at Kadena Elementary School with III MEF Band, Oct. 28
- Family activity "Say Boo to Drugs" at Kadena Middle School, Oct. 28 from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Fun run/walk at Torii Station, Oct. 29 starting at 7:30 a.m.

RETIRES AFFAIRS POSITION: Headquarters Pacific Air Forces seeks a

Paying proper respect



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Airman Sheila DeVera, 18th Communications Squadron, faces the speaker and salutes during retreat Wednesday. When reveille and retreat play, uniformed Airmen outside must face the flag if it is visible, or the sound of the music if it is not, and salute on the first note of "To the Colors" and the Japanese national anthem. When in civilian clothes or in PT gear, face the flag or the sound of the music if the flag is not visible, stand at attention, and place the right hand over the heart during "To the Colors" and the U.S. National Anthem. Other military service members, when not in uniform, must render similar honors in accordance with service-unique regulations. Civilians should also stop all activity during these periods and render respect by placing hands on hearts. All vehicles (civilian or military) in motion should come to a stop at the first note of the music and the occupants should sit quietly until the music ends. Reveille and retreat are played at 6:45 a.m. and 5 p.m., respectively, on weekdays.

retiree to fill the position of Retiree Affairs Officer at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii. Applications must be endorsed by the wing commander and then sent electronically to Pacific Air Forces by Oct. 28. Call Col. David Tom at 449-8850 for more information.

FREE HEARING TESTS: The U.S. Naval Hospital, Okinawa, Audiology Clinic will be conducting free hearing screenings for eligible beneficiaries 10 years old and up on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. The screenings will be held at the audiology clinic, building 6021, directly behind the main hospital. Parking is available at the Camp

Lester chapel. Staff will also be on hand to answer questions and provide valuable information about protecting your family's hearing. For more information, call 643-7554.

FREE DIRECT TO HOME SATELLITES: The Direct to Home Satellite Program on Okinawa starts Dec. 3. All eligible off-base residents—military and DoD personnel—will be able to receive free satellite decoders and antennas for American Forces Network reception. The DTH will provide nine AFN channels. The 718th Civil Engineer Squadron furnishing management section is running the program. Call 632-4206 for more information.

KATRINA VOLUNTEERS: Anyone interested in serving as disaster services volunteer for Hurricane Katrina should contact the American Red Cross at Kadena, 634-1979; Camp Courtney, 622-9729; or Camp Foster, 645-3800. A three week commitment is required to volunteer.

HOLIDAY MAILING DEADLINES: Below are the Christmas holiday mailing deadlines:

- Space available mail, Nov. 19
- Priority mail, Nov. 26
- First class letters and cards, Dec. 3
- Express mail, Dec. 14

SEXUAL ASSAULT HELPLINE: Sexual assault victims can report

crimes in two manners -- restricted reporting (confidential) or unrestricted reporting (investigation begins immediately) to the sexual assault response coordinator by calling 634-SARC or visiting building 428, Rooms 111, 113 and 114.

LOST AND FOUND: The 18th Security Forces Squadron currently maintains lost and found property, such as bicycles, billfolds, keys and watches. Contact security forces Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 634-4643.

TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE: Air Force members can now apply for tuition assistance on-line at the Kadena Education Office or via the Air Force Portal at <https://www.my.af.mil/afvecpord>. By using the portal, military students will not have to visit the Education Office for approval. Online TA is mandatory for officers. There is an online tour offered on the Web site. The ideal timeline for TA approval will be 48 hours (two business days). For more information, call 634-1500.

READERSHIP SURVEY: The 18th Wing Public Affairs office is currently conducting a readership survey for The Kadena Shogun newspaper. Readers and non-readers can voice their opinion online at www.afnews.af.mil/internal/survey/survey_index.htm.

ENERGY CONSERVATION TIP: A freezer works more efficiently when it's full than when it's empty. Place plastic containers, such as old milk jugs with water in them, to take up empty space.

REFUSE DISPOSAL TIP: To get rid of cooking oil, pour onto a newspaper or old cloth for absorption, then throw it in the trash. Do not pour down drains.

Testing, testing



Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell

Staff Sgt. Terrance Boyd, 18th Civil Engineer Squadron, tests the wiring on a fire alarm system as Staff Sgt. Stephen Patch, 18th CES, documents the results. The 18th CES conducted several spot checks in dormitories on Wednesday to ensure smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and other safety items are working properly prior to the 18th Wing's unit compliance inspection scheduled to begin Oct. 31.

Okinawa Perspective

The following is a synopsis of articles that appeared recently in Japanese newspapers.

□ Senior Japanese and U.S. government officials failed Thursday to strike a breakthrough over U.S. Marine Corps Air Station Futenma relocation, a key issue in bilateral talks on the U.S. military realignment in Japan. Officials agreed to put off a decision until their next meeting later this month in Tokyo, sources familiar with the talks said.

□ Officials from the Urasoe City planning section complained to Naha Defense Facilities Administration Bureau about Marine tactical training at Camp Kinser, stating "It's hard to understand why servicemembers are conducting training at a supply installation. Please do not conduct such training, which causes anxiety to our people." The Okinawa Prefectural Government base affairs section, through Naha DFAB, asked the U.S. military to be considerate of local residents when

conducting training.

□ The Kadena Townspeople Council was established Oct. 13 during a meeting at the Kadena Town Office. The council was established to minimize the impact of aircraft noise caused by night flying. Kadena Town Mayor Tokujitsu Miyagi announced that he would work to establish a new noise abatement agreement with both governments. "It is necessary to present [people's demands] continuously with a strong will," he said.

□ The rate of adult smokers in Japan fell to a record low of 29.2% as of June, down 0.2 percent from a year earlier for the 10th straight year of decline, a Japan Tobacco Inc. survey revealed Tuesday. Growing awareness of the hazards of smoking and tougher legal restrictions on smoking in public contributed to the decrease, JT officials said. The survey found the rate of smokers among men hit a record low of 45.8%, down 1.1 points from a year earlier for the 14th straight year of decline. But the smoking rate among women rose 0.6 point to 13.8%, posting the first upturn since 2001.



Halloween Activities

Compiled from staff reports

Halloween trick or treating hours on Kadena will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31.

Visitor Passes

People interested in bringing groups of trick-or-treaters from off-base must submit a list of names to the 18th Security Forces Squadron at the Gate 1 visitor control center by Oct. 27.

Sponsored trick or treaters can enter the base between 5:30 and 7:15 p.m. and should leave the installation no later than 8:45 p.m. (Sponsors and unit first sergeants will be notified if visitors are on the

installation after the authorized time.)

All visitors must be escorted by an authorized sponsor (SOFA status, at least 18 years old) during the entire visit and leave the base from Gate 5.

Authenticated letters from 18th SFS will serve as a pass maintained by the sponsor. The sentry will ensure only people listed on the letter are allowed entry to the base. For more information, call 634-1557.

Candy Scanning

The 733rd Air Mobility Squadron will provide free X-ray scanings of Halloween

candy from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Air Passenger Terminal, Building 3409.

Youth Center Events

The Kadena Youth Center will host various Halloween activities including:

- ✱ Halloween dance and costume contest for children ages 6 to 8, Oct. 28 from 7 to 9 p.m.

- ✱ Halloween dance and costume contest for children ages 9 to 12, Oct. 29 from 7 to 10 p.m.

- ✱ Halloween arts and crafts for children ages 6 to 8, Oct. 31 from 4 to 5 p.m.

- ✱ Monster Bash for children ages 9 to 12, Oct. 31 from 2 to 6 p.m.

Article 15 actions

The following Article 15 actions were completed in August and September:

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Security Forces Squadron received a demotion to airman, a \$200 suspended fine for two months, 45 days restriction, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to obey General Order One and making a false official statement.

- ✱ An airman from the 18th Security Forces Squadron received a \$400 fine, 21 days restriction, 21 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to obey General Order One.

- ✱ A senior airman from the 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a demotion to airman first class, a \$600 suspended fine, seven days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to go and failing to maintain living quarters.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 353rd Operations Support Squadron received a demotion to Senior Airman, a \$400 suspended fine, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to obey a general order while on a temporary duty assignment.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 353rd Operations Support Squadron received a suspended demotion to airman, a \$400 suspended fine, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to obey a general order while on a temporary duty assignment.

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- ✱ A technical sergeant from the 18th Wing received a suspended demotion to staff sergeant, a \$2,888 fine with a \$1,444 suspended fine, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for making a false official statement and soliciting another NCO to lie.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 390th Intelligence Squadron received a suspended demotion to Senior Airman, a fine of \$300, 30 days extra duty with 15 days suspended, and a reprimand for failing to follow orders given by the first sergeant.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 18th Security Forces Squadron received a demotion to senior airman, a \$400 fine, and a reprimand for adultery.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a demotion to airman, a suspended \$200 fine, 14 days extra duty, and a reprimand for being drunk, disorderly, and using disrespectful language toward an NCO.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a demotion to airman, a suspended \$200 fine, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand for driving under the influence.

- ✱ A technical sergeant from the 18th Operation Support Squadron received a suspended demotion to staff sergeant, a \$2,000 fine with a \$1,000 suspended fine,

60 days restriction and a reprimand for making a false official statement.

- ✱ A technical sergeant from 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron was demoted to staff sergeant for duty incapacitation due to overindulgence of alcohol, resulting from the vacation of a suspended punishment from a previous Article 15.

- ✱ An airman from the 733rd Air Mobility Squadron was demoted to airman basic for failing to go, as the result of the vacation of a suspended punishment from a previous Article 15.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Operations Support Squadron received a suspended demotion to airman, a \$400 fine, and a reprimand for failing to obey General Order One.

- ✱ A senior airman from the 18th Communications Squadron received a demotion to airman first class, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for driving under the influence.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 18th Operations Support Squadron received a suspended demotion to senior airman, a fine of \$600 and a reprimand for failing to obey General Order One.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a \$773 fine and reprimand for assault.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a demotion to airman, an \$800 suspended fine, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to go, failing to obey a lawful order, and failing to maintain living quarters.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Component Maintenance Squadron received a suspended demotion to Airman, restriction for 45 days, and 45 days extra duty for failing to obey General Order One.

- ✱ Another airman first class from the 18th Component Maintenance Squadron received a suspended demotion to airman, restriction for 45 days, and 45 days extra duty for failing to obey General Order One.

- ✱ A senior airman from the 733rd Air Mobility Squadron received a demotion to airman and a reprimand for failing to go, failing to obey a lawful order, and making false official statements.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a demotion to senior airman and a reprimand for writing bad checks.

- ✱ A staff sergeant from the 18th Munitions Squadron received a demotion to senior airman, a \$1,956 suspended fine, restriction for 30 days, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for failing to go, making a false official statement, and duty incapacitation due to an overindulgence of alcohol.

- ✱ An airman first class from the 18th Munitions Squadron received a demotion to Airman, a \$1,384 suspended fine, restriction for 30 days, and 30 days extra duty for damage to a government vehicle.

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Staff Sgt. Mitchell Hardy, 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, marshals out Maj. Robert Haug, 44th Fighter Squadron director of operations, in an F-15C Eagle Oct. 12. The aircraft - tail number 469 - is the first Kadena fighter to undergo Pride Dock upgrades.

PRIDE

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Next the technicians meet with the pilot after the flight to gather more data, the chief said. And that's just the beginning. For the next 10 days, contractors with help from the aircraft's assigned crew chiefs examine every inch of the designated systems and replace worn parts.

"This will afford us the operational checkout that we need to make sure that we're giving our aircrews a combat 'code 1' capable aircraft," said Colonel Miller.

There are early positive signs as the first F-15—tail number 469—flew successfully after the overhaul. The fighter had been off the flying schedule for a long time.

"The aircraft flew well out of the gate from Pride Dock," said Maj. Robert Haug, 44th FS director of operations. "Now that it's back on the flying schedule I expect it to be a top performing aircraft in the 44th FS."

Pride Dock brings far-reaching benefits. Jets roll out of the dock free of any previous "delayed discrepancies." More significant is the feedback mechanism Pride Dock creates.

Chief Henderson said that feedback in maintenance trends can be shared internally within the 18th MXG to use for other scheduled inspections and also passed on to Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, the F-15 System Program Office and others.

"We now share what we're finding, so that they can implement within the Air Force F-15 fleet, things that potentially we are seeing just with the Kadena fleet," said Colonel Miller. "This has the interest of the entire logistics chain of command all the way to Air Staff."

But at the end of the day it comes down to the Airmen who keep the jets flying.

"We need to get to where the guys on the flightline can have a little bit easier time troubleshooting and working these aircraft," said Chief Henderson.

ACCIDENT

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Staff Sgt. Lawrence Vaden, 18th SFS investigations, also suggested that drivers stay at least two car lengths behind the vehicle in front of them and turn on their lights if they are using their windshield wipers.

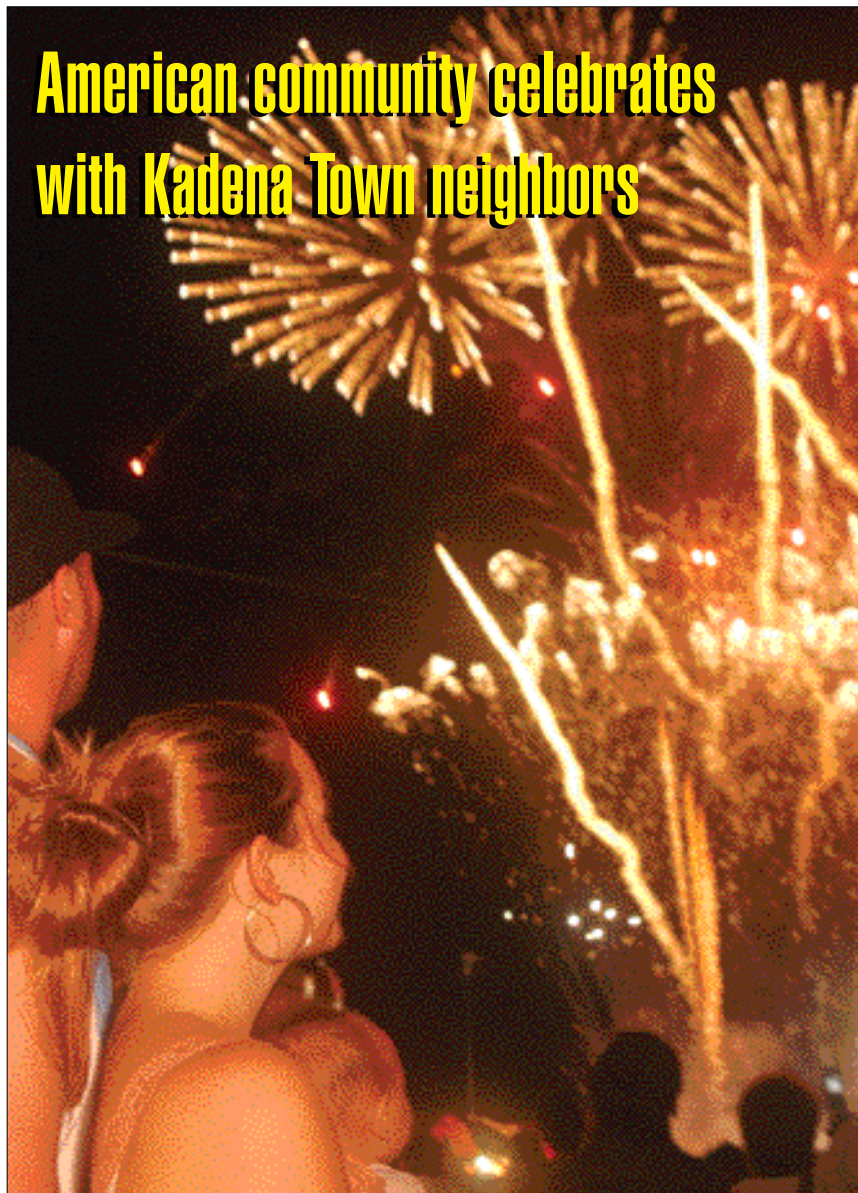
"Going the speed limit in the rain will not automatically keep a motorist safe," Sergeant Vaden said. "People need to take extra precautions."

Some of the precautions people need to take while driving include:

- Don't take risks and follow traffic rules.
- Maintain your vehicle.
- Wear your seatbelt at all times.
- Drive at a speed and manner safe for current conditions.



Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell



American community celebrates with Kadena Town neighbors

Airman 1st Class Matthew Eckert, 353rd Operations Support Squadron, his wife, Tai, and 6-month old daughter, Gabriela, enjoy the fireworks during the annual Kadena Town Festival. The event celebrated 400 years since Superintendent Noguni brought the typhoon-resistant sweet potato from China to Okinawa.



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DANCE: Eisa performers dance for some of the more than 100,000 people that attended the two-day festival.

Beating to a different drum



Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell

Toyoko Otake, Taiko Drum Club teacher, demonstrates the proper way to hold and strike a paranku drum to first through third grade students at Stearley Heights Elementary School. The paranku drum is a small Taiko drum used in the Japanese folktale performing art called Eisa. The Taiko Drum Club is offered at Kadena and Stearley Heights Elementary Schools to expose American children to music, basic dance movements and Japanese culture.

Today

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Live Rock music in the ballroom from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m.

• Flashback Friday in the lounge from 5 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Best of 80s and 90s hits in the lounge from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.

• Boss and buddy night begins at 5 p.m. in the lounge.

OFFICERS CLUB: A "tonight's special" menu that changes every week will be held in the Flame Room.

EMERY LANES: Thunder Bowl from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

KADENA MARINA: A two-tank night dive aboard the Sea Lady IV will be held. Divers need at least one of the following certifications to participate, "advanced open water diver" or night-dive specialty. Call the scuba locker to register at 634-6344.

TEEN CENTER: Power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for homework and other educational activities. Earn power points and cash them in for great prizes.

Saturday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Hip Hop to Dirty South from 10 p.m. to close in the lounge.

• Latin, salsa and reggae music from 10 p.m. to close in the ballroom.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Top 40 Variety dance music in the lounge from 7 p.m. to close.

OFFICERS CLUB: A "tonight's special" menu that changes every week will be held in the Flame Room.

EMERY LANES: Hook up 2 bowling at 11 a.m. Fourth of four classes for beginning bowlers 8 and older. Graduates will receive a bowling ball, bag and certificate.

• 40-frame tournament. Registration begins at 6 p.m. and bowling begins at 7 p.m.

KADENA MARINA: Take part in a free Discover dive and Scuba review course. For details call the Scuba Locker at 634-6344.

Sunday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Game show mania and Top 40 variety music from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Jazz from 5 to 8

p.m. in the lounge. Old and new variety music from 8 p.m. to close.

Monday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Jukebox jams from 6 p.m. to close.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Game show night with a chance to win \$500 in the cash club in the lounge.

• Classic to modern rock from 7 to 11 p.m.

OFFICERS CLUB: Football frenzy begins at 7 p.m. Open to Officers Club members 20 and older.

• Catfish night in the Flame Room.

• Club card drawing at 6 p.m. for a chance to win \$500 to \$1,000. Open to Officers Club members 20 and older.

BANYAN TREE GOLF COURSE: Registration begins for Buddy Bash Golf Tournament on Nov. 12 and 13. Format is two person teams: 9-hole scramble, 9-hole alternating shot, 9-hole best ball and 9-hole combined score. Cost is \$40 plus green fees and carts. Punch cards may be used. All players must have a verifiable handicap.

TEEN CENTER: Power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for homework and other educational activities. Earn power points and cash them in for great prizes.

Tuesday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Pool tournament at 7 p.m.

• Football frenzy from 7 p.m. to close.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Office party from 5 to 7 p.m.

• Football frenzy from 7 to 11 p.m.

OFFICERS CLUB: Twenty percent off regular menu items for Air Force club members in the Flame Room.

• Club card drawing at 6 p.m. for a chance to win \$500 to \$1,000. Open to Officers Club members 20 and older.

EMERY LANES: 75-cent day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

TEEN CENTER: Power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for homework and other educational activities. Earn

power points and cash them in for great prizes.

Wednesday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Ladies night from 8 to 11 p.m.

• Dart tournament starts at 7 p.m. For more information on the dart league contact Staff Sgt. Joseph Hale at 634-4428 or Johnny Pyrdol at 634-0644.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Rocker Kids Halloween Party from 5 to 8 p.m. Costume and scream contests will be held.

• Jazz from 5 to 8 p.m. in the lounge. Ladies night from 8 p.m. to close also in the lounge.

OFFICERS CLUB: New York Strip for two for \$23.95 in the Flame Room.

• Club card drawing at 6 p.m. for a chance to win \$500 to \$1,000. Open to Officers Club members 20 and older.

TEEN CENTER: Power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for homework and other educational activities. Earn power points and cash them in for great prizes.

• Keystone Club meeting held from 4 to 5 p.m. Join the club designed to help improve the teen center.

Thursday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Country music from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Reggae in the lounge from 5 to 7 p.m. Krazy Karaoke from 7 to 11 p.m.

OFFICERS CLUB: Prime Rib dinner for two for \$22.95 in the Flame Room.

• Club card drawing at 6 p.m. for a chance to win \$500 to \$1,000. Open to Officers Club members 20 and older.

KADENA MARINA: Shift workers can still learn to scuba with daytime lessons by marina dive pros. Call the scuba locker at 634-6344 for details.

TEEN CENTER: Earn extra points with a logic problem solv-

ing challenge during power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 28

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Flashback Friday in the lounge from 5 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Rhythm and Blues party in the ballroom from 11 p.m. to close.

• Deja' vu hits from 5 to 7 p.m., Variety dance hits from 7 p.m. to close.

OFFICERS CLUB: A "tonight's special" menu that changes every week will be held in the Flame Room.

TEEN CENTER: Power hour from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for homework and other educational activities. Earn power points and cash them in for great prizes.

EMERY LANES: Thunder Bowl from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

KADENA MARINA: A two-tank night dive aboard the Sea Lady IV will be held. Divers need at least one of the following certifications to participate, "advanced open water diver" or night-dive specialty. Call the scuba locker to register at 634-6344.

OKUMA: Okuma's 2nd annual Halloween Village will open from 7 to 9 p.m.

M O V I E S

Patrons should call Keystone Theater at 634-1869 or Butler Theater at 645-3465 to verify movie titles, showtimes and ratings.

* First Run shows are marked by an asterisk.

Keystone Theater

- ▲ Today..... *Flight Plan, PG-13, 6 p.m.
Skeleten Key, PG-13, 9 p.m.
- ▲ Saturday... Undiscovered, PG-13, noon
*Flight Plan, PG-13, 4 p.m.
Skeleten Key, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday..... Undiscovered, PG-13, noon
*Flight Plan, PG-13, 4 p.m.
Skeleten Key, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Monday..... Undiscovered, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Tuesday..... Skeleten Key, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Wednesday... Undiscovered, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Thursday.... Skeleten Key, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Oct. 28..... *Into the Blue, PG-13, 6 p.m.
The 40 Year Old Virgin, R, 9 p.m.
- ▲ Oct. 29..... March of the Penguins, G, noon
*Into the Blue, PG-13, 4 p.m.
The 40 Year Old Virgin, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Oct. 30..... March of the Penguins, G, noon
*Into the Blue, PG-13, 4 p.m.
The 40 Year Old Virgin, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Oct. 31..... The 40 Year Old Virgin, R, 7 p.m.

C H A P E L

Catholic

- ▲ Monday through Friday: Mass, Chapel 2, noon.
- ▲ Saturday: Confession, Chapel 2, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Vigil Mass, Chapel 2, 5 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday: Mass, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m.
Mass, Chapel 1, 12:30 and 5 p.m.

Protestant

- ▲ Wednesday: Bible Study, Chapel 2, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday: Inspirational, Chapel 2, 8:30 a.m.
Litururgical, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m.
Evangelical, Chapel 1, 9 a.m.
Traditional, Chapel 2, 10:30 a.m.
Gospel, Chapel 3, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday school, Bldg. 327, 8:45 & 10:45 a.m.
- ▲ Hindu service: Mondays, Chapel 1, noon.
- ▲ Eastern Orthodox services: Call 645-7486
- ▲ Jewish services: Call 637-1027
- ▲ Islamic services: Call 636-3219

Kadena martial artist nominated to Hall of Fame



U.S. Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell
Dirk Jacquet demonstrates a tiger claw stance before practicing Kung Fu movements at the Risner Fitness Center Tuesday. He will be inducted into the Martial Arts Hall of Fame for his dedication and promotion of martial arts Nov. 12 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

One of Kadena's martial artists that teaches classes on base will be inducted into the martial arts hall of fame next month.

Dirk Jacquet, a Kung Fu and Tai Chi instructor, will be inducted into the Eastern U.S. International Martial Arts Association Hall of Fame during a ceremony Nov. 12 for his efforts to promote martial arts.

The technical sergeant from the 390th Intelligence Squadron said he was excited to be nominated in the Dedication to Martial Arts category.

"It's an honor to be selected for something like this," said the 16-year Air Force veteran. "I'll get to meet a lot of famous and influential people in martial arts. There will be a lot of grand masters from all over the world at the ceremony."

Jacquet said he's had a keen interest in martial arts since he was 15 years old.

Now, after 20 years, Jacquet holds a fourth-degree blackbelt in the Chinese martial arts of Kung Fu and Tai Chi.

"Many of the martial arts stem from the Chinese martial arts," he explained. "I thought

that if I was going to study martial arts, I might as well learn from where they originated from."

Since his arrival to Kadena in 2001, Jacquet helped revitalize the martial arts program at the Risner Fitness Center by increasing the number of classes offered by 50 percent. Currently Kadena has the largest program in Pacific Air Forces.

"We're lucky to have a world-renowned instructor of Jacquet's caliber at the Risner Fitness Center," said Jason Vandenberg, 18th Services Squadron Risner Fitness Center director.

Jacquet said he's in the final stages of adding at least two more classes next month - Uechi Ryu and Shorin Ryu. He is also trying to enlist an instructor for Kubudo.

For people just getting into martial arts, Jacquet suggests looking around at different classes before deciding which type is best.

The classes offered at the Risner Fitness Center include: Okinawan Karate, Kung Fu, Tai Chi, Kenpo, Jujitsu, Combat Hapkido, Judo and a women's self defense class.

For information on programs offered at the Risner Fitness Center, call 634-5128.

Co-ed Softball Standings

TEAM	W	L
372 TRS.....	4	-- 0
18 CS.....	3	-- 0
18 MUNS.....	3	-- 0
18 AMDS.....	3	-- 0
961 AACS.....	3	-- 1
18 LRS (A).....	2	-- 1
18 AMXS.....	2	-- 1
18 LRS (B).....	2	-- 2
SCP.....	1	-- 1
554 RHS.....	1	-- 2
18 CPTS.....	1	-- 3
733 AMS.....	1	-- 3
18 CMS.....	0	-- 3
18 AES.....	0	-- 4
353 MXS.....	0	-- 4

Standings current as of Oct. 13

Flag Football Standings

<u>DIVISION 1</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
18 MUNS.....	4 --	1
18 CS.....	3 --	2
18 EMS.....	3 --	2
18 CMS.....	3 --	2
353 MXS.....	2 --	3
18 CES A.....	2 --	3
18 AES.....	2 --	3
18 MOS.....	1 --	4
<u>DIVISION 2</u>		
18 LRS.....	5 --	0
18 CES (B).....	4 --	0
733 AMS.....	3 --	2
961 AACS.....	2 --	2
18 OSS.....	2 --	2
18 AMDS.....	2 --	3
353 OSS.....	1 --	3
82 RS.....	1 --	4
18 SVS.....	0 --	4

Standings current as of Oct. 17

Running for Katrina victims



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TEAM: Darius Wheeler, 8, son of Tech. Sgt. Thomas Wheeler of the 18th Dental Squadron, leads his Kadena youth soccer team - Fire - across the finish line during a 5-kilometer run Saturday in front of the Risner Fitness Center. The Kadena NCO Academy organized the run to raise funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina. The event raised more than \$2,200 for the American Red Cross.

INSET: Tech. Sgt. Sabrina Moseley, an Airman Leadership School instructor, takes a cup of water from Senior Airman Harold Warr, 320th Special Tactics Squadron, while running the 5K-race. More than 125 people participated in the race.